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SUBJECT: CUBAN USE OF BARBADOS

FOR CHARGE FROM ROGERS

1. WE HAVE INFORMATION THAT CUBA HAS BEEN USING BARBADOS AS A REFUELING STOP FOR PLANES PROBABLY CARRYING CUBAN TROOPS AND ARMS ULTIMATELY DESTINED FOR ANGOLA. THIS APPARENT USE OF BARBADIAN FACILITIES IS LIKELY TO CONTINUE, GIVEN THE CONTINUING REQUIREMENTS THE CUBANS FACE IN THEIR EFFORT TO SUPPORT THE MPLA.

2. YOU SHOULD SEEK EARLIEST POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT WITH BARROW TO RAISE THIS MATTER. YOU SHOULD DRAW ON STATE 266239 (BEING REPEATED TO YOU) IN DESCRIBING CUBAN INTER-FERENCE IN ANGOLAN AFFAIRS. STRESSING THAT WE DEPLORE THIS FLAGRANT INTERVENTION, YOU SHOULD URGE BARROW TO PROHIBIT FURTHER USE OF BARBADIAN FACILITIES, POINTING OUT THAT

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FACILITATING CUBAN INTERVENTION RISKS ASSOCIATING BARBADOS

WITH THAT INTERVENTION.

3. DEPT WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE LEARNING BARBADIAN VIEWS ON
ANGOLAN RECOGNITION (SEE STATE 265503). KISSINGER

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